

Iowa regents approve security changes, arm campus police forces

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NEWS EDITOR

In response to the Virginia Tech massacre that occurred last spring, universities around the nation reviewed their security and safety protocols, including the University of Nebraska as well as their neighbor to the east, the University of Iowa system.

The incident, where a lone gunman shot and killed 32 people on a Virginia university campus, was the main reason the Iowa Board of Regents decided to arm the university system's security officers during its meeting Oct. 31 in Iowa City.

The decision reverses a 40-year-old policy where Iowa security officers were only allowed to carry firearms in special instances. Now, officers at Iowa State University, University of Iowa and University of Northern Iowa will be armed at a later date, to be set by the Board of Regents.

The decision was supported by each of the three university's presidents and Iowa Governor Chet Culver, a 1988 Va. Tech graduate.

"As I have stated repeatedly, public safety is my top priority. I commend the Regent Presidents, public safety directors and the Board of Regents for taking this important step to increase the safety and security of our campuses," said Culver in a press release responding to the Board of Regents' decision.

During the meeting, Board President Michael Gartner and Regent Rose Vasquez opposed the plan, according to Associated Press reports. Gartner attributed larger problems on Iowa's campuses to alcohol and drugs, which he said would not be solved by the presence of firearms.

The proposal was eventually approved 6-2 as part of an overall security plan.

The security plan calls for an annual report to the regents that addresses the status of security on the campuses, including threat assessments and personnel training.

The plan also requires the universities to implement an emergency communications system, including a text messaging system similar to one UNO just recently implemented.

While UNO is addressing campus security through upgrades in the intercom system and text-message alerts, there are currently no plans to arm its campus security officers.

Should Campus Security be armed?



Megan Guthmiller –
Recreational Therapy – Senior
"I agree with it, I think it would be something that will help them secure people. If they don't have anything, it may mean people respect them less. I mean, you don't want to scare people, but if someone is going to do something it would help. The scary thing is that the weapons can be turned and used against them, too."

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Post-game: Offensive line dominates while McNeill electrifies, Mavericks win ... again



Brian McNeill breaks past the South Dakota defense in the first half of Thursday's game.

photo by Michelle Bishop

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The Mavericks were supposed to be challenged Thursday night.

South Dakota brought the conference's leading rush defense into Omaha. They featured a balanced offense that ranked fifth in the nation. This year's game had huge implications on the North Central Conference's final championship, and the Coyotes were hungry.

But UNO was hungrier. They were undefeated and determined to stay that way. They were hosting a team that had beaten them handily in each of the last two seasons.

In front of more than 10,000 screaming fans, the Mavericks crammed a season high 428 rushing yards

down the visitor's throat, exacting their revenge and continuing on their path of destruction with a 41-14 rout.

Junior quarterback Zach Miller capped an 11-play, 71-yard drive with a one-yard touchdown run on UNO's first possession. Despite facing an eight-man front, the Maverick offensive line stream-rolled an outmatched group of Coyotes. The trend would continue throughout the day.

"Running the ball well helped us a whole lot, it helped us to control the game," said all-American left tackle Ben Hochstein. "[USD] has got an explosive offense, so as much as we could run the ball we wanted to, to keep them off the field."

On UNO's second possession, Brian McNeill saw his first action of the evening after senior Nate Wurth

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Senate forms committee to revamp internal rules

Student Senate

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The UNO Student Senate approved a motion to form an ad hoc committee to revise its governing rules during its meeting on Thursday in the Milo Bail Student Center.

According to the letter of statement, sponsored by Speaker Nathaniel Edwards, there was a need to revise the governing documents of senate, which includes the constitution, by-laws and internal operating procedures.

"Over the course of the last five years our association has made many attempts at revising the documents but none have been advanced through all stages for various reasons," according to the letter of statement, which was authored by President/Regent Alexander Williams.

During the meeting Williams said the committee

members were chosen because of their ability to work well together and their availability to work on such a substantial project.

Several senators said the revision of senate rules was too important to be left in the hands of so few representatives.

"Changing the rules is a big thing. If we do this we need it to be as open and as inclusive as possible," said College of Arts and Sciences Sen. Dayton Headlee.

Edwards said he did not object to the closed committee, but would like to hear from students on the issue.

"I would like to see one committee meeting include a public forum before the senate votes on the issue," said Edwards.

College of Business Administration Sen. Shari Tangeman said the formation of such a committee was unnecessary and redundant.

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American Red Cross blood drive

The Pan-African Student Organization, in conjunction with the American Red Cross, will be hosting a blood drive and are seeking donors. The drive will take place in the Milo Bail Student Center on Nov. 13; sign up tables will be set up in the student center on today and Friday.

Concrete deliveries to prompt short traffic delays this week

The Kiewit Building Group began delivery of pre-cast concrete for the new parking garage on the north campus yesterday and will continue through the week.

Twelve flatbed truckloads will be making their way onto UNO each day. As they enter campus near the William H. and Dorothy Thompson Alumni Center, traffic will be stopped for several minutes.

Native American, environmental activist speaker today

Winona LaDuke, an internationally respected Native American and environmental activist, will speak at UNO as part of Native American Month celebrations.

Her presentation will be held today at 5:30 p.m. in the Ballroom of the Milo Bail Student Center. The event is free and open to the public.

Her visit is sponsored by UNO's Multi-Cultural Affairs and Native American Studies.

For more information contact Cathi Warren at 554-2758 or cjwarren@mail.unomaha.edu.

Missouri Valley Reading Series continues tomorrow

James Jay and Zachary Schomburg will read some of their poetry as part of the Missouri Valley Reading Series tomorrow. The UNO Art Gallery, located on the first floor of the Weber Fine Arts Building, will host the 7:30 p.m. event.

Jay is the founding editor of Two Dogs Press, and will read from his book, *The Undercards*. He teaches poetry and American literature at Northern Arizona University.

Schomburg will read from his collection of poems, *The Man Suit*.

He edits the online literary journal, *Octopus*, as well as co-curating The Clean Part Reading Series in Lincoln, Neb.

The Missouri Valley Reading Series is free and open to the campus community and public. For more information, call 554-2151.

Energy Savings Potential Program symposium tomorrow

Four UNO community members will speak about their experiences with the Energy Savings Potential Program as well as present initial research findings at a symposium planned for tomorrow.

The event will be held from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. at the Omaha Public Power District's downtown headquarters, 444 S. 16 St. Mall, in the 9W Seminar Room on the building's ninth floor.

The panelists and their topics are

- Kenneth Kriz, Financial and Tax Incentives for Energy Conservation;
- Jerome Deichert, Energy Forum Program Assessment; and
- Robert Blair and Daniel Lawse, Energy Efficiency and Sustainability: A Neighborhood-Based Approach to Improving Housing Stock in Omaha.

Newspapers in the classroom workshop tomorrow

A workshop on using newspapers in the classroom will be held tomorrow in the Milo Bail Student Center U Mo Hon Room.

Led by Carolyn Thompson, professor of political science and public administration, "The New York Times and Newspaper Use in Your Classroom" will go

from noon to 1:30 p.m.

To register, contact the UNO Center for Faculty Development, at 554-2427 or unofacdev@mail.unomaha.edu. For more information, contact Maria Anderson Knudtson, English lecturer, at mknudtson@mail.unomaha.edu.

Americans with Disabilities Act program Nov. 8 in the Milo Bail Student Center

A program on supervising individuals with disabilities will be held Thursday, from 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. in the Milo Bail Student Center Gallery Room.

Sharon Ulmar, assistant to the chancellor for diversity and equal opportunity, will lead the program.

To register for the program, call 554-2872.

'Lunch and Learn' event scheduled for Nov. 8

The UNO Speech Center will be hosting a "Lunch and Learn" session geared for students who are interested in adjusting to a broader audience, reorganizing main themes for more structure and integrating storytelling and visuals to enhance presentations.

"Moving from Paper to Presentation: A Transformation" is planned for Nov. 8, from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the Milo Bail Student Center U Mo Hon Room.

Pre-registration is encouraged and can be done by contacting the Speech Consulting Center at 554-3201. Space is limited, and free pizza and pop will be provided.

Sessions planned for master's degree in social work

Those interested in pursuing a master's degree in social work can attend an admissions information session Nov. 8, from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. in the Milo Bail Student Center Council Room. No reservations are needed.

At the event, Patricia Carlson, admissions chair of the UNO School of Social Work, will discuss the social work program and admission requirements. Another information session is scheduled for Dec. 8, from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. in the same location.

For more information, call 554-2793.

University Library Friends to meet Nov. 8

The University Library Friends will meet and discuss the book, *The Shia Revival*, by Vali Nasr at noon Thursday, Nov. 8, in the Dodge Room A in the Milo Bail Student Center.

Tom Gouttierre, dean of International Studies and programs and director of the Center for Afghanistan Studies, will lead the discussion, which is free and open to the public.

In his book, Nasr, a professor of Middle East and South Asia politics at the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, Calif., examines how conflict and instability in Iraq have shaken the balance of power between Sunni and Shia.

The discussion of "The Shia Revival" is part of an ongoing series of book events at the university.

For more information, contact John Flocken at 554-3725 or iflocken@mail.unomaha.edu.

Biblical archaeology conference this week

The Bethsaida excavation will present its findings next month during the ninth annual Batchelder Biblical Archaeology Conference Nov. 8 through 10. The conference will be held at the William H. and Dorothy Thompson Alumni Center.

Biblical scholar James K. Hoffmeier of Trinity Evangelical Divinity School will deliver the conference's first keynote address at 7:30 p.m. on Nov. 8.

Conference activities continue Nov. 9 and Nov. 10. Fourteen scholars from around the world will present research and discoveries detailing Biblical archeology during the day sessions, which are free and open to the public.

The conference will present the film "The Lost Tomb of Jesus," produced by James Cameron for The Discovery Channel, at 7:30 p.m. on Nov. 9. James Tabor and Dan Bahat will lead a discussion

afterwards.

Admission to both "The Lost Tomb of Jesus" event and the Hoffmeier keynote event is \$10 per person. UNO students who show their MavCards can attend both for free.

To register, or for more information and a complete schedule of events, contact Steve Reynolds, Bethsaida Excavations Project coordinator at 554-3108.

Crime Log

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Saturday, Oct. 27

1:32 a.m. While on patrol, Campus Security investigated loud noises at Scott Village. Further investigation identified one minor student and four visitors in possession of alcohol. The alcohol was confiscated, and the student was referred for disciplinary action.

Editor's Note: As of 3:42 p.m., Friday, Nov. 2, the campus public crime log had not been updated since Monday, Oct. 29. The *Gateway* sent a letter to Campus Security on Friday afternoon alerting them that this failed to meet the requirements of the Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policies and Campus Crime Statistics Act.

For the Record

In the Oct. 26 news article "Retreat in Kansas City budgeted at \$5,700 by senate," the *Gateway* misattributed a quotation to President/Regent Alexander Williams. This erroneous attribution was also repeated in the opinion column "Student government is broken: Enforce the rules, stop wasting our money."

It was Vice President Mike White, not Williams, who said during senate debate, "If we don't get to this tonight, it's out of the window. Maybe we are breaking the rules, but does that really matter?"

The *Gateway* apologizes for these errors.

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Experimental group of UNO students show when it rains, it pours

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With so many new artists emerging onto the music scene, one local group strives to stand apart from the rest. Seniors Bryan Truttman and Ian Donahue formed Paper Rain, an experimental band that blends both their love of art with their passion for music.

Truttman, an art major who will soon graduate from UNO's fine arts program, came up with the idea of fusing both hobbies together after being involved in the arts for numerous years.

"I began to realize that a great deal of the inspiration I drew was from the world of music. It was a crucial part of my life and I felt that I had a lot of things to say through music but little means to do so," Truttman said. "I was greatly inspired

by my friend Ky Ryan, who had created an entire record alone in his downtown apartment. I started to realize that music wasn't just for the years I spent in a school band playing other composer's songs or something reserved for the elite and seasoned musician, it was an important means of expression for everyone."

From there, Truttman contacted Donahue, a longtime friend of his, in hopes of learning how to play the guitar and gaining some new incite in the music industry. Following many conversations, they both learned that they each had the same goal: to work on an album about where their lives were going.

After months of band rehearsals, the pair decided they needed a name to call themselves.

"We started combining words from the textures and objects that I was using to create our world of sound," Truttman said. "Paper Rain represents the ambient fields of sound that we were creating by hand, like a rain storm made [up] of the taps of paper, sticks and wood. At the same time, it suggests that the paper itself becomes the rain as if it were a storm of torn paper and confetti."

The creative juices really started flowing when an art class opened up new pathways for the band mates.

"As I was studying video art under Professor Russ Nordman, I developed several videos and generated original soundtracks to them," Truttman said. "Later on, I began making videos for our songs."

In late September, Paper Rain released its first album, *Underwater Trees*, a 10-track compellation of "weather patterns, time travel and nocturnal history."

Fans of the band will be excited to get to hear their new material.

Paper Rain's *Underwater Trees* is available for \$11.50 and can be purchased at the Antiquarium, located at 12th and Harney streets in the Old Market.



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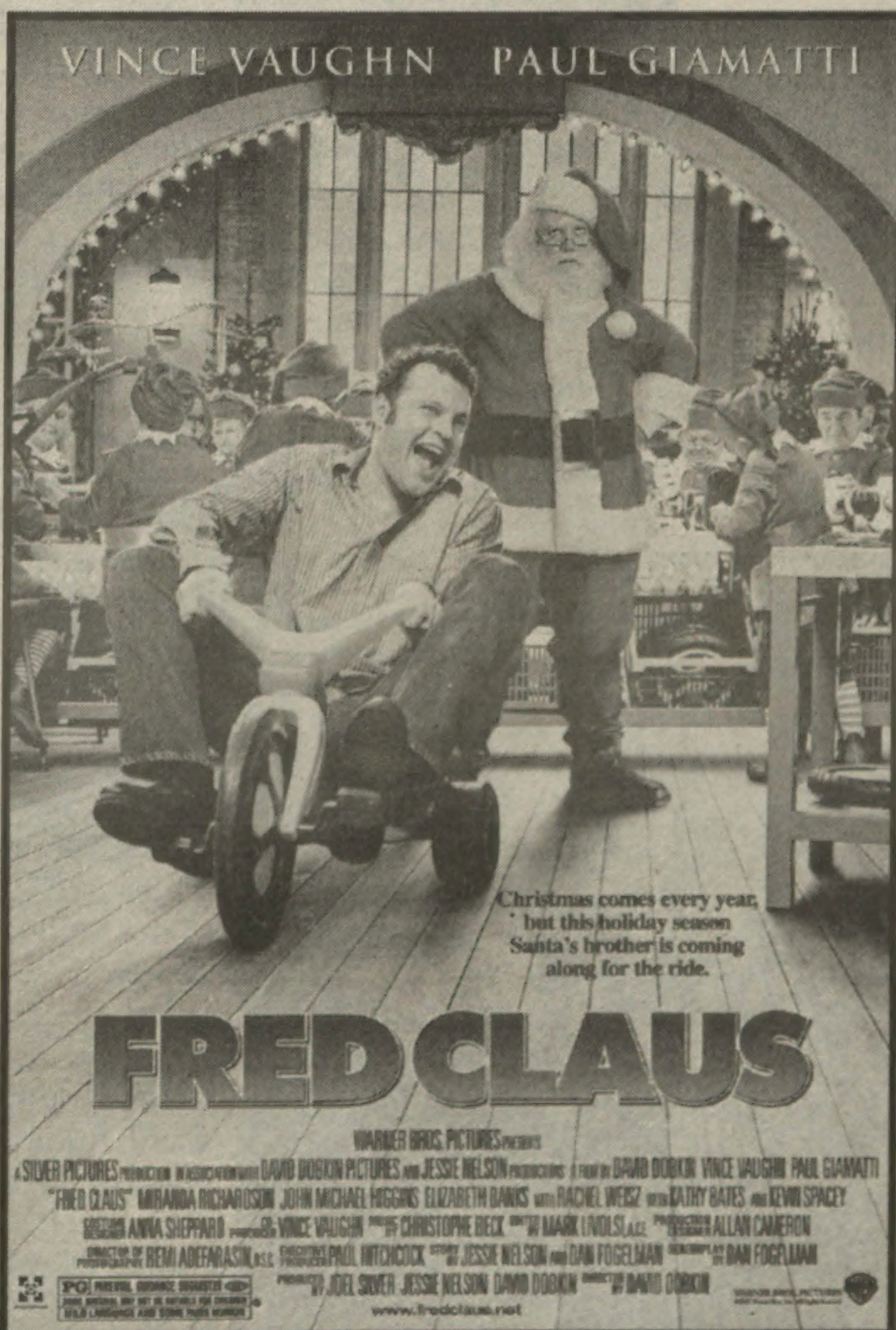
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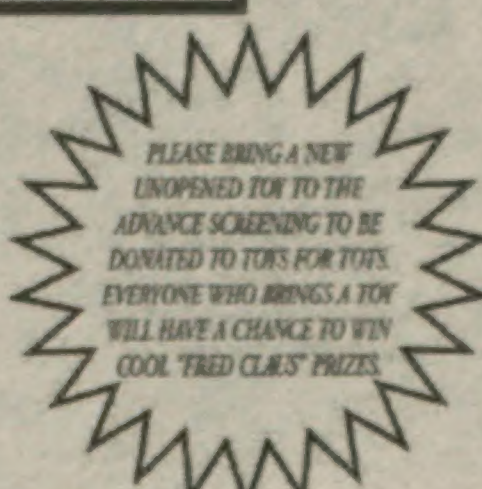
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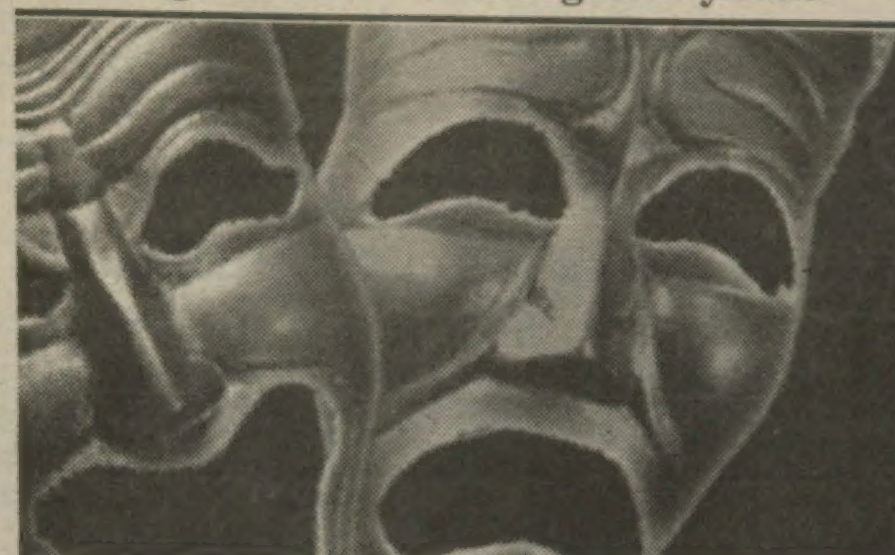
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Arts and Leisure Events Calendar

NOVEMBER 2007

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Nov. 6 – The Orpheum Theater will host Monty Python's *Spam-a-lot* musical based off the cult classic, *Monty Python and the Holy Grail*. Performances run through Nov. 11 with matinees on Saturdays and Sundays. Tickets range in cost from \$25 to \$60 and can be purchased through Ticketmaster.

Nov. 7 – The Waiting Room presents its second *Guitar Hero* tournament in the past two months. The competition is open to the public for those 21 and over and starts at 7 p.m. There is no cover charge.

The Durham Western Heritage Museum will present its "The Enemy Within" tour, for its exhibit focusing on American espionage from 1776 through today. The tour starts at 10:30 a.m. For more information, contact



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the Education Department at 444-5027.

Nov. 10 – The band ...And You Will Know Us by the Trail of Dead will perform at The Waiting Room for a 9 p.m. show. Tickets are \$12.

Film Streams and the Slowdown will present a tribute to grunge rock band, Nirvana. Bands include Bear Country, Flamboyant Gods, Coyote Bones and others. The show begins at 9 p.m. and admission is free.

Nov. 11 – UNO's Student Programming Organization is presenting comedian and actor Nick Swardson at the Omaha Music Hall. The show begins at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$21.50 for the general public but \$7 for UNO students with their MavID in the Milo Bail Student Center ticket office.

John Mellencamp will perform at the Qwest Center with opening act Los Lobos starting at 7:30 p.m. Tickets range from \$40 and \$75 and can be purchased through Ticketmaster.

Nov. 12 – Boys Like Girls, along with All Time Low, The Audition and Valencia, will perform at Sokol Underground for a 7 p.m. show. Advance tickets can be purchased for \$15 with \$17 tickets the day of the show.

Nov. 15 – The UNO theater department will present *Madwoman of Chaillot*, a play about a society made vulnerable by power and greed, as well as a rebellion against a corrupt authority. The performance runs through Dec. 1. Tickets are available by either contacting 554-2335 or by visiting the theater box office inside the Weber Fine Arts Building.

Brad Paisley will perform at the Qwest Center, along with opening acts Rodney Atkins and Taylor Swift. Tickets range from \$35 to \$45 for this 7:30 p.m. show and can be purchased through Ticketmaster.

Nov. 16 – The Omaha Community Playhouse kicks off its annual production of *A Christmas Carol*, a musical based from Charles Dickens's classic novel. Performances run through Dec. 23 with evening shows Wednesdays through Sundays with an additional matinee performance on Sundays at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$39 for

adults and \$24 for students.

UNO will host a Hindustani Concert, with North Indian music performed by Puspen Dey and Aditya Kalyanpur. The concert will be held at the Strauss Performing Arts Center. Tickets are \$15 for the public and \$10 for students and senior citizens.

Nov. 17 – The Waiting Room will host "Thanksgrooving 2007," an all-day concert event helping to raise money for the Omaha Food Bank. Several local bands will be performing and a silent auction will also be featured at the event. Tickets are \$12.

Nov. 19 – Straylight Run will perform at Sokol Underground for an 8 p.m. show. Tickets are \$15.

Nov. 21 – Hypnotist and comedian J. Medicine Hat returns to the Funny Bone, performing through Nov. 25. Tickets are \$16 and can be purchased online at www.funnyboneomaha.com.

Nov. 23 – Anchondo will perform a 9 p.m. show at The Waiting Room. Tickets are \$8.

Nov. 24 – The Joslyn Art Museum will open



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its exhibit "Karl Bodmer's Animals." The Swiss artist's work will be on display until Feb. 3, 2008.

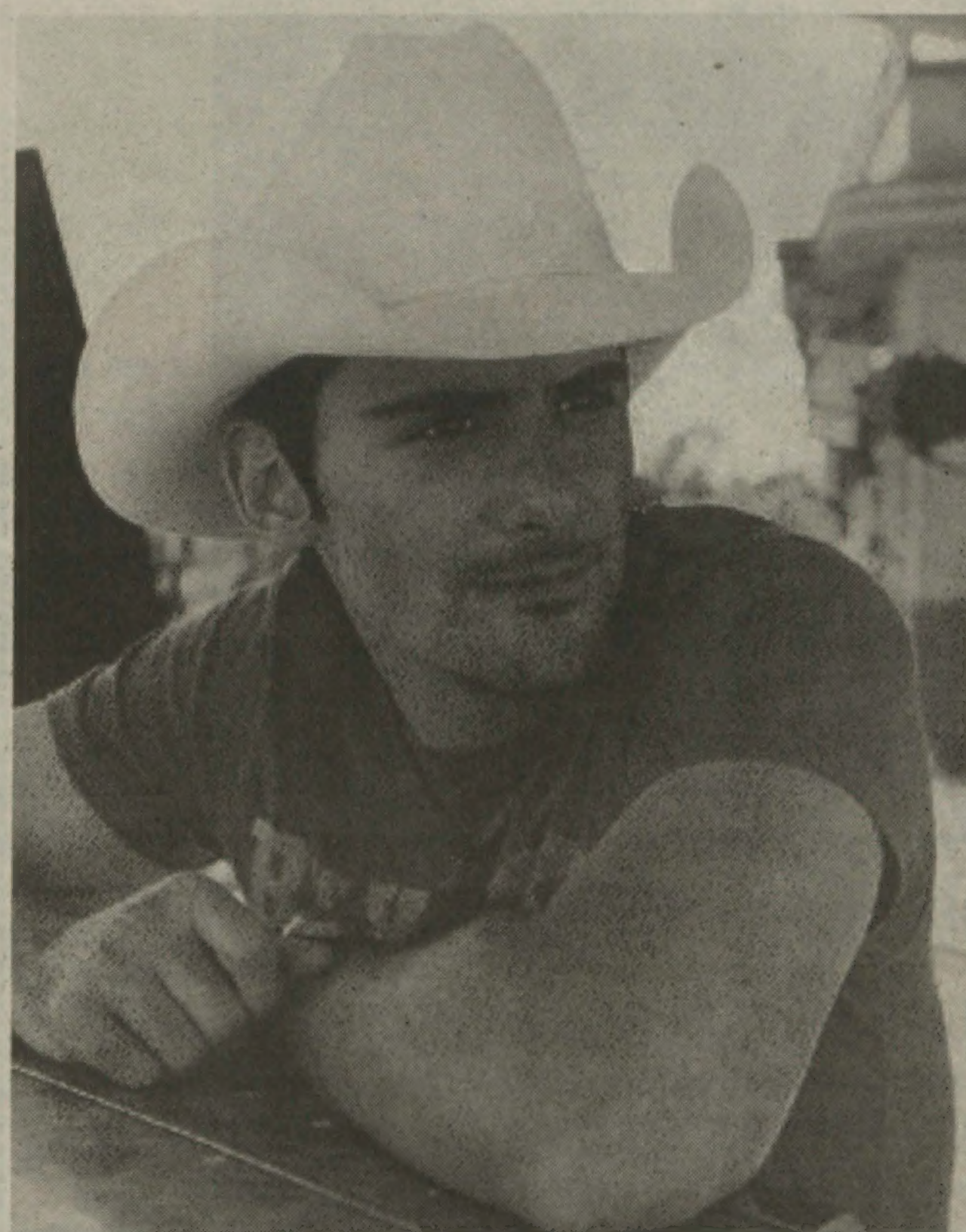
Nov. 26 – Bayside plays Sokol Underground at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$15.

Nov. 27 – Evanescence will perform at the Pershing Center, along with Sick Puppies and Julien-K. Tickets are \$35.50 for this 7:30 p.m. show and can be purchased through Ticketmaster.

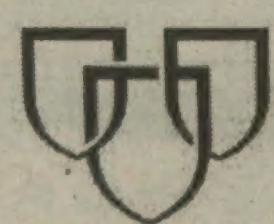
Nov. 28 – The UNO Student Programming Organization brings poet/actress Bridget Gray to campus. The District and Hughley's star will perform at noon in the Nebraska Room of the Milo Bail Student Center.

Nov. 29 – Kottonmouth Kings play Sokol Auditorium, with opening acts Dirtball and Big B. Doors will open at 6 p.m. with the concert beginning at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$27 in advance or \$30 day of show.

Nov. 30 – Seether will perform at Sokol Auditorium, with doors opening at 7 p.m. Advance tickets are \$19 or \$21 day of show.



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Cross country team experiences heart-break in and out of competition at this year's regionals

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UNO's chances of team success at the NCAA Division II North Central Regional Cross Country Meet went down as Freshman Janna Brons did.



Kaylen Harris

Brons injured her ankle prior to Saturday's meet, and the Mavericks were left a runner short and thus disqualified from team competition.

UNO's heartache Saturday played out again in individual competition. Senior Kaylen Harris spilled her guts onto the Vermillion landscape only to narrowly miss qualifying for a national invite.

Harris covered 6,000 meters on the rough South Dakota terrain with a career-best time of 21 minutes and 59.24 seconds. The impressive run left Harris in

16th place, just seconds behind the national qualifying top-15.

Harris wasn't the only Maverick senior to perform well in her last cross country race. Tahnee Tuenge finished 57th with a time of 23 minutes and 17.79 seconds. Sophomore Nicole Nelson finished at 24:23.13, and freshman Lisa Tesarek rounded out the Maverick finishes with a time of 26:19.0.

The two seniors, as well as several other members of this cross country squad, will now look forward to a track season that is set to begin in December.

Adams State ran-off with the team title for the fifth time in six seasons. North Dakota and South Dakota will represent the North Central Conference with their respective Top 5 team finishes.

The national meet will be held in Joplin, Mo., on Nov. 17.



Tahnee Tuenge

Exhibition game against D-I opponent provides opportunity for new Mavericks to test waters

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After losing five seniors, the UNO women's basketball team looked to recruit additional talent in the off-season to rebuild their squad.

Karen Thies, Toni Kinsey, Lacey Geitzenauer, Carlye Jones and Ashley Freerksen all finished their careers with the Mavs last season. Thies was named to the all-region team last March and also earned one of two Women's Basketball Coaches Association scholarships for outstanding commitment to women's basketball and academic excellence.

To replace these seniors, coach Patty Shearer announced last May that six junior-college players - forward Amanda Broadsack, guard Kamillia Brown, wing Mary Brown, guard Lindsey Klug, combo-guard Cassi Siska and swing LaToya Wright - would transfer to UNO to play for the Mavericks. The Mavs also picked up forward Kylee Rinehart, who transferred along with Mary Brown, from Casper College in Casper, Wyo. Both helped the Casper Thunderbirds capture the 2007 Region IX Championship.



Alyssa Green

These new Mavs joined returning freshmen and sophomores, including Alyssa Green, who made the Division II Bulletin all-freshman team last April after averaging 10.3 points last season. She also averaged 3.6 rebounds per game and 3.8 assists per

game.

Last week, UNO had its first opportunity to see how the new players and returning underclassmen would gel together. The Mavericks lost 73-51 to the Division I University of Iowa Hawkeyes at the Carvery-Hawkeye Arena in Iowa City, Ia., on Friday evening.

Returning junior wing Cayla Hargrove was the game's top scorer with 11 points, shooting three for eight from the field and four for four from the free-throw line. Green also had a strong showing, scoring nine points, and Broadsack added eight of her own.

Overall, UNO shot just 30.6 percent from the field and sank three of its 13 three-point attempts. However, the Mavs shot an impressive 18-22, or 81.8 percent, from the free-throw line.

At press time, the Mavs were scheduled to play another exhibition game against the University of Nebraska at Lincoln on Monday. Look for results of that contest in Friday's edition of the *Gateway*.

The team's regular season begins on Nov. 15 with a 6 p.m. home game against Dana College in the Sapp Fieldhouse.



Cayla Hargrove

Wrestlers ranked No. 7 in D-II preseason poll

KEVIN CLEMENS
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

The UNO wrestling team appears to be hungry to get the season rolling this year after finishing third in the national tournament last year.

Most teams would gladly take a third place finish at nationals, but not this team. After utterly dominating Division II wrestling the last few years, with three consecutive titles between 2004 and 2006, the UNO wrestling team is looking to return to dominance.

The Mavs are returning eight starters to the program, including past national champions Todd Meenley at 149 pounds and Cody Garcia at 125 pounds. Meenley finished at an impressive fifth place during the off-season at the World Team Trials. Garcia missed most of last season with injuries.

UNO will have some big shoes to fill at the 174-pound position as three-time Division II National Champion J.D. Naig graduated last year. Naig is now an assistant on the team's coaching staff.

The Mavericks are also bringing back two all-Americans to the team from last year, sophomores Austin Boehm and Sim Bribieseca. Ross Taplin, an all-American from two years ago, will also return to the team. In all, the Mavs will be returning 12 previous letter recipients.

UNO has a total of four wrestlers ranked in the preseason rankings. Bribieseca at 141 pounds, Taplin at 165 pounds, Boehm at 184 pounds and Jacob Marrs at 197 pounds. Overall, the Mavericks received a No. 7 team ranking in the NCAA II Wrestling Coaches' Association preseason Top 20 poll.

Members of the wrestling team competed in South Dakota on Saturday at the Daktronics Open. UNO only brought a few freshman to the preseason event, and redshirt freshman Aaron Denson recorded a third place finish at the event.

The Maverick wrestling team will begin the push towards a national championship next Saturday, Nov. 10, in Fort Dodge, Iowa, at the Nichols Open.

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started the game. McNeill received repeated touches, exploding for 74 total yards on the drive. The march ended in a missed field goal by Greg Zeurlein, but the junior tailback would find the end-zone on UNO's next offensive series.

After the game McNeill talked about the prospect of splitting carries with Wurth, something Head Coach Pat Behrns says will continue as long as they're both healthy.

"[Wurth] goes in there and is positive for the team, and I just try and do what I do," McNeill said. "It keeps both of us fresh all game and it keeps the defense off balance."

UNO had seemingly blown the game open with under two minutes left in the first half. Senior safety, crafty veteran, return specialist and team leader Randy Kush corralled a punt in Maverick territory, found a seam and scooted 71-yards to pay-dirt. The punt return was the first of Kush's collegiate career.

"It was pretty fun," Kush said with a smirk. "Maybe everybody will quit calling me slow now."

Following the return, the Coyotes managed to show toughness in a hostile environment. Quarterback Noah Shepard engineered an 80-yard drive that ended with a 28-yard strike to one of his big play receivers. Sophomore Dan Skelly hauled in his seventh touchdown of the season with just seconds left, robbing

the Mavericks of momentum before halftime.

With the Maverick defense flustering the nation's fifth-ranked offense for much of the third quarter, UNO's big offensive front was able to spend much of that period wearing down a drained Coyote defense.

McNeill crossed the goal line again with 2:01 left in the third, and the floodgates opened. A Zeurlein field goal and a 32-yard Miller touchdown run in the fourth quarter added insult to injury, and sustained UNO's perfect season.

The Mavericks improved to 9-0, 7-0 in NCC play with Thursday night's convincing victory.

This year's squad has now avenged all three of its losses from 2006. These Mavericks opened their home schedule this season with a dramatic win over Northwest Missouri State, a team that trounced UNO 31-0 a year ago. The pain of last year's postseason heart-breaker to North Dakota was eased in Grand Forks three weeks ago, when the Mavericks handed the Fighting Sioux their first loss of



photo by Michelle Bishop

Nate Wurth shakes a tackle during the first half of Thursday's game against South Dakota. Wurth had 81 yards rushing on the evening.

the season in their own building.

Now they've demoralized a South Dakota team that has done so to them in each of the last two seasons. Even Behrns, a coach with tireless work ethic viewed as difficult to impress, sees something special in this year's group.

"This team's got something," Behrns said. "They're doing a very, very good job of getting along together, doing what they're supposed to do on and off the field and that's what's making them good."

The Mavericks will have a chance this weekend to secure an undefeated season and capture the NCC's 57th and final championship.

Standing in their way is a Central Washington squad that has nationally impressed in its own right. No. 14 and No. 17 in Division II's major polls, the Wildcats welcome the Mavericks into Ellensburg riding a 7-game winning streak.

The 'Cats are 8-1 overall, 6-1 in the conference, and stand as the only team other than UNO with a chance at an NCC crown. The stage will be set this Saturday, Nov. 10, as the Mavs take the field at Tomlinson Stadium in Ellensburg, Wash., with a 2 p.m. CST scheduled kick-off.

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Mavericks plagued by third period breakdowns, drop both games to No. 2 Michigan at home

CHARLEY REED
A&L EDITOR

Statistically, the Mavericks outplayed the No. 2 team in the country this weekend. Unfortunately, the only statistics that matter between wins and losses are on the score sheet.

Eleven goals, all in the third period, for UNO's opponents over the last four games have spelled the difference for the UNO hockey team. Rather than earning conference points against No. 1 Miami-Ohio last weekend and No. 2 Michigan this weekend, UNO has gone 0-4-0 and is currently sitting at No. 11 in the 12-team Central Collegiate Hockey Association.

"You take one shift off and these two top teams are pretty good at capitalizing on those opportunities," explained senior forward Mick Lawrence, who scored a goal for UNO on Saturday and earned third-star honors on the evening.

Friday's game was certainly an exciting one for the 9,356 in attendance, at least for the first two periods. After an early Michigan goal from senior forward Kevin Porter 11 seconds into the Maverick's first penalty of the night, UNO clamped down and held the Wolverines scoreless for the rest of the period.

Out-shooting the Wolverines 15 to 7 in the second, UNO capitalized with an even-

strength goal from senior Bill Bagron. UNO freshman Rich Purslow scored the go-ahead goal seven minutes later, the first of his collegiate career. "We had a lot of emotion going into the third period," Bagron said after Friday's game. "We had high hopes of a better outcome, but it didn't fall that way." The Mavericks fought through nine penalties to continue to hold Michigan scoreless through the second period, but a slashing call on sophomore defenseman Ed Del Grosso at 19:39 in the period would prove to be the backbreaker.

It only took Porter 35 seconds to score the tying goal before his line-mate, senior Chad Kolarik, scored less than three minutes later to put Michigan up 3-2.

UNO fought off the Michigan onslaught as freshman defenseman Alain Goulet scored a one-timer under a minute later to tie the game. But Michigan responded

in kind with a goal from sophomore defenseman Steve Kampfer less than four minutes later.

A defensive breakdown from UNO allowed Porter to get his third goal of the evening, securing a hat trick before sophomore goaltender Jeremie Dupont was pulled with a minute remaining. An empty-net goal secured a 6-3 victory for Michigan.

"A team like that gets some momentum and that'll happen," senior Bryan Marshall said Friday. "They pop one goal - means two goals, means three goals."

Saturday's game was eerily similar to Friday's. Michigan had scored two goals in the first, one again from Porter and a second from freshman Louie Caporusso, who slid one past junior goaltender Jerad Kaufmann's pads.

Entering the second period, UNO once again was on top in the shots-on-goal category and continued their onslaught. Outshooting Michigan 23 to 9 through the first

two periods, two of those 23 shots made it past junior goaltender Billy Sauer.

First, capitalizing on a power play opportunity, Mick Lawrence deked Sauer to put the puck in the back of the net just 1:25 into the period. At 10:12, freshman Blake Martin turned a Sauer rebound into a goal to tie the game at two.

Both teams were scoreless for the next 27 minutes before a critical mistake

was made by the Maverick defense. A pass in the UNO zone was intercepted was by Michigan freshman Carl Hagelin, who scored the game-winning goal at 17:07. Despite heavy pressure on Sauer from UNO over the last three minutes, UNO couldn't capitalize to force a late tying goal.

"It just comes down to we're killing ourselves," Kaufmann said after Saturday's loss. "You've got to play your best hockey in the third period ... and we just haven't done that yet."

A visibly somber Kemp tried to put a positive spin on the last four games that have put the Mavericks in an early hole in the CCHA.

"We have progressed each game and, quite honestly, if we can play like this, we're not likely to see two teams any better than what we just saw in the first two weekends of the conference schedule," Kemp said.

Kaufmann said that it was far too early for anyone to be pushing the panic button.

"We were in this exact spot my freshman year and we ended up going to the tourney," he said. "It's a long season; if you can get on a bit of a winning streak, anything can happen."

The next test for UNO will come in traveling to Ohio State to face a team that has suffered its own woes early on in the season. The Buckeyes are currently sitting at 2-5-0 overall and 0-3-0 in the conference. With the rest of this month's series at home, any points earned on the road could give the Mavs a much-needed confidence boost that could turn into a winning streak.

"I think the work ethic we exhibited over 60 minutes tonight was very, very good and I think we need to take that work ethic into Ohio State next weekend," Kemp said.

Kemp added that he hopes to have injured forwards senior Brandon Scero and sophomore Nick Fanto back for the series, but said status on UNO's lone upperclassman defenseman Juha Uotila's academic ineligibility remained unchanged.

The 1-4-0 Mavericks will take on the Buckeyes in a Thursday-Saturday series on Nov. 8 and 10 with a game time of 6:05 CST both nights.



photo by Michelle Bishop
Tomas Klempa flies through the crease and into Michigan goalie Billy Sauer after being shoved by Michigan's Chad Langlais during Saturday's game. Klempa was penalized for charging on the play.



photo by Michelle Bishop
Rich Purslow gets sandwiched between two Wolverines during Saturday's game against Michigan. UNO lost 3-2 Saturday night.

Beale breaks record in regular season finale



photo by Bill Wendt
Brandie Beale plucks a ball off the foot of a Viking Friday.

JASON SIBSON
SPORTS EDITOR

Perhaps the Augie soccer faithful should plan a party in the streets of Sioux Falls the night of Brandie Beale's graduation. Prior to this weekend, Beale had recorded nine goals and five assists in six career games against Augustana College.

Friday afternoon in Omaha, the senior forward from Independence, Mo., ran circles around a group of Vikings for a seventh and final time. Her two assists sealed a 2-0 victory and an eighth consecutive Maverick win in the team's regular season finale.

Beale single-handedly controlled the game in the first half. She won nearly every ball that came near her, and presented her teammates with several scoring chances.

Still, the score was 0-0 at half. A less experienced player might have been bothered by the goose egg, but Beale remained focused.

"I knew that [the effort] was going to pay off," Beale said. "If you get frustrated it's not going to work, so you just keep playing."

After pounding on the door for 66 minutes, the Mavs finally kicked it in. Beale delivered a curling corner-kick, and a soaring Dani McCawley headed in her seventh goal of the season. The assist gave Beale 34 for her career, setting a new career best in UNO soccer.

"That's pretty cool," Beale said. "It says a lot of my teammates, too, who were there to finish."

Beale's second assist of the afternoon was a picture-perfect cross to junior forward MaryClaire Murnan, who delivered the ball on net at the 69-minute mark to seal the victory for UNO.

The win moved the Mavericks to 12-5 on the season and 10-2 in North Central Conference play. Friday's game was UNO's last chance to impress an NCAA committee that will reveal its playoff selections Monday at 5 p.m. The Mavs are hoping that their late season surge will be enough to garner a postseason berth.

"We said we had to win the last eight games and we did that," Beale said. "Hopefully our efforts paid off - we deserve it as hard as we've played."

The Division II women's soccer playoffs will begin Friday, Nov. 9, at campus locations yet to be determined. UNO outlasted the 32-team field in 2005 on its way to a national championship, and the Mavericks were upset by Grand Valley State in the quarterfinals last year.



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Mykala Hanson fights off a defender during Friday's 2-0 win.

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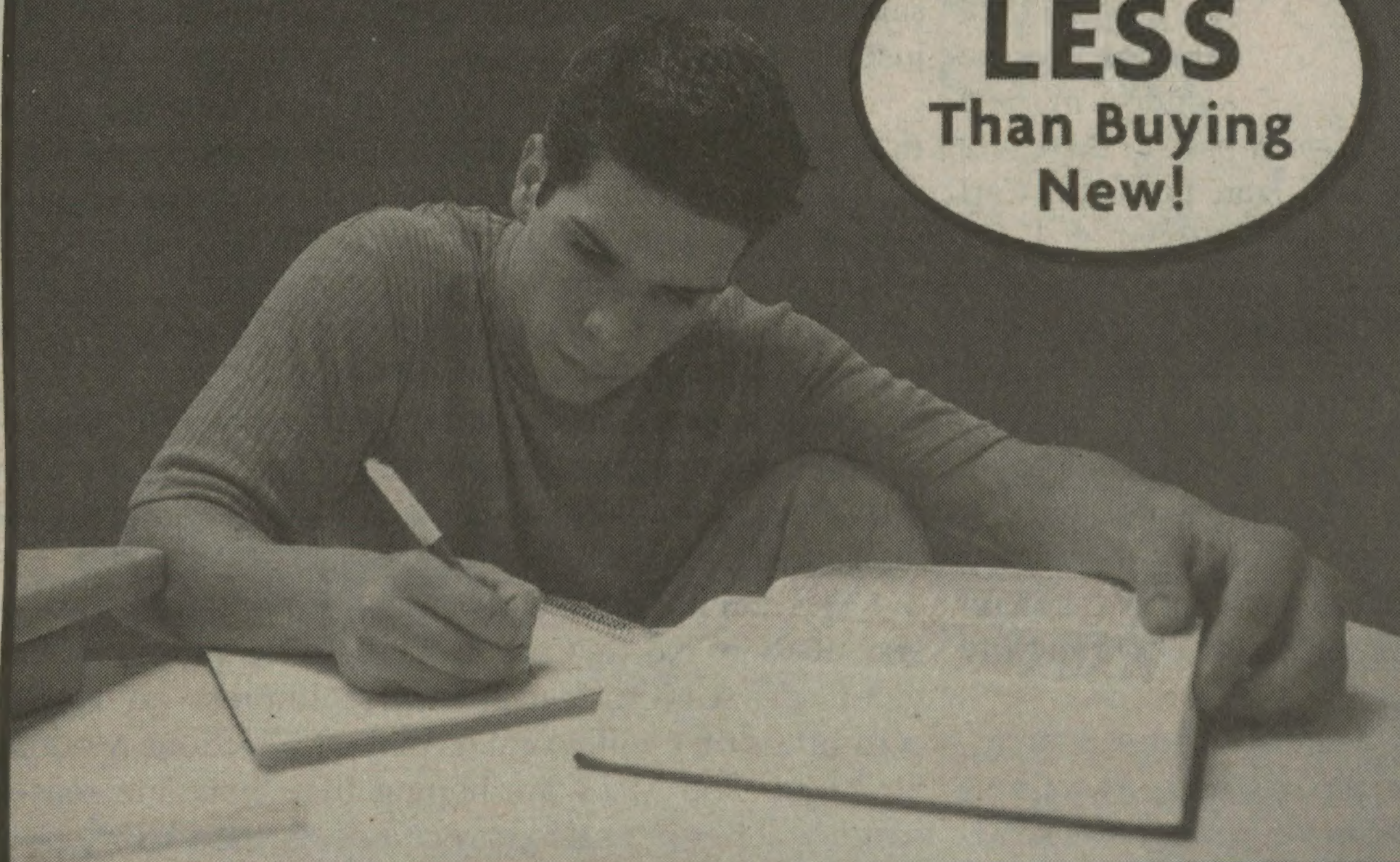


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Mavericks win seven straight to close season, look ahead to probable postseason selection

KEVIN CLEMENS
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

The Maverick volleyball team ended its regular season with a sweep over St. Cloud State on Saturday afternoon. The win gave the Mavericks an impressive seventh in a row to complete the season.

The Mavericks beat North Dakota on Friday in a five-game match. The weekend's victories have given the Mavs an impressive resume heading into the NCAA's decisions this weekend that will determine who is postseason-worthy.

The match on Friday night against North Dakota went down to the wire, with the Mavericks pulling out the victory in five games (30-16, 27-30, 30-27, 33-35, 15-10).

Sophomore outside hitter Kelli Goesser tied a career high in kills Friday night with a total of 18. Goesser, who hit .328 in the match, also recorded six digs and three blocks.

The Mavericks had two other members of the team reach double digits in the match. Ellen Thommes recorded 17 kills with four blocks and team leader Carlie Christensen had 16 kills with five blocks.



Carlie Christensen

Redshirt freshman Jenna Allison got her first career start and played well, producing eight kills and three blocks.

Senior setter Katie Agnew again achieved double-double status, recording her 14th such game of the season Friday night against the Fighting Sioux. She had 53 assists to go along with 14 digs.

The defense was led by Kayla Jansen's career-high 36 digs.

Riding a six-game win streak and already securing a second-place finish within the NCC, the Mavericks remained poised heading into their final regular season game. They showed passion on the floor, completing a sweep over the Huskies of St. Cloud State (30-26-30-20, 30-26). With the win the Mavs ended their regular season with a record of 16-8 overall, 8-4 in conference play.

Christensen led the Mavericks again on the floor Saturday night with 17 kills in the sweep. The senior middle blocker produced an impressive .483 attack percentage and recorded a match-high six blocks. After the match, Christensen seemed confident in her team's postseason outlook.

"We feel pretty good about how we are playing," Christensen said. "Right now we are looking forward to the tournament."

Nicole McLeod came back from an injury that held her out of Friday's match in impressive form on Saturday night. She finished with 12 kills, four blocks and six digs in the match. Sophomore Ellen Thommes also contributed 12 kills.

Katie Agnew earned her second double-double over the weekend with 47 assists and 10 digs. This double-double gave her a team high 15 for the season.

The defense was led by Kayla Jansen and Annie Rice, who combined for 39 digs.

Coach Shires was pleased with her team's performance over the regular season's final weekend.

"It is great to finish strong. As far as I can tell we will make it to the tournament," Shires said. "I felt like seven or eight matches ago we got into the positive aggressive mindset that we needed in order to play well, and it has carried over onto the floor."

During this current seven-match win streak, the Mavericks have only lost four games and have swept five of the seven matches to give them a games record of 18-4 over this run. Signature wins over this streak for UNO include then-ranked No. 12 Minnesota State and No. 13 Augustana, wins that helped launch the Mavericks into second place in the NCC.

The Mavericks ended their regular season in impressive fashion, and will now wait to hear from the NCAA committee regarding its probable postseason nod.

"We knew what we had to do and we accomplished it," Shires said. "It is now up to the selection committee."



Kelli Goesser

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UNO football set for spectacular conclusion

UNO's football team showed South Dakota its hospitality Thursday night with a 41-14 beat-down at Caniglia Field (it's pronounced Ca-NEELia for those passengers new to this bandwagon). This field has now swallowed up four teams from the North Central Conference this year and, oh yeah, the otherwise flawless Northwest Missouri State Bearcats.

This year's historic run has ripped enough students away from their homework (or binge-drinking) to fill Al Caniglia's seats. The South Dakota game wielded 10,032 fans, up nearly 6,500 from last year's regular season finale.

With a 2007 perfect home record now intact, UNO has won every regular season game they've played on home grass since Sep. 4, 2004. UNO's last regular season conference loss at home came in 2002 to Northern Colorado, a team that now competes in Division I. A combination of big crowds and a great football program has made Al Caniglia Field one of the most feared venues on any Division II schedule.

But, be careful not to mistakenly dub these Mavericks "great at home." This football team is just plain great. They disposed of the otherwise-undefeated North Dakota Fighting Sioux in the hostile Alerus Center just three weeks ago and have beaten every team that has hosted them this year by double-digits.

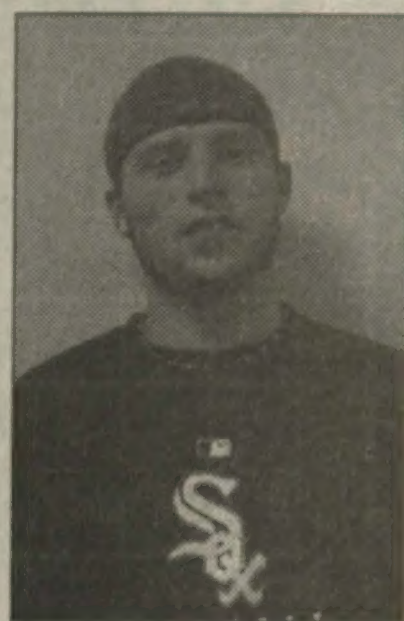
UNO will finish their regular season with one more top-notch opponent this weekend. Host Central Washington, No. 14 according to D2football.com's media poll, represents the fourth Top 25 opponent the Mavs will have come across this season.

Despite the huge conference championship implications of this meeting, scheduled for Saturday at 2 p.m. CST, a loss in this game will likely not be enough to strip the Mavericks of a home game in this year's playoffs. Meaning Caniglia Field should see action at least once more this season. With Mav mojo snowballing its way towards attendance records, this year's home playoff game(s) could be a spectacle previously unseen in Division II this side of Grand Valley State.

If UNO does win this weekend, though, how great would that be? The fight to get to the Division II national championship in Florence, Ala., would play out on this campus until the Mavericks lose. If they lose, that is.

I, personally, am enthralled with the sure-fire excitement of this season's conclusion, destined to be played out on Al CaNEELia's field.

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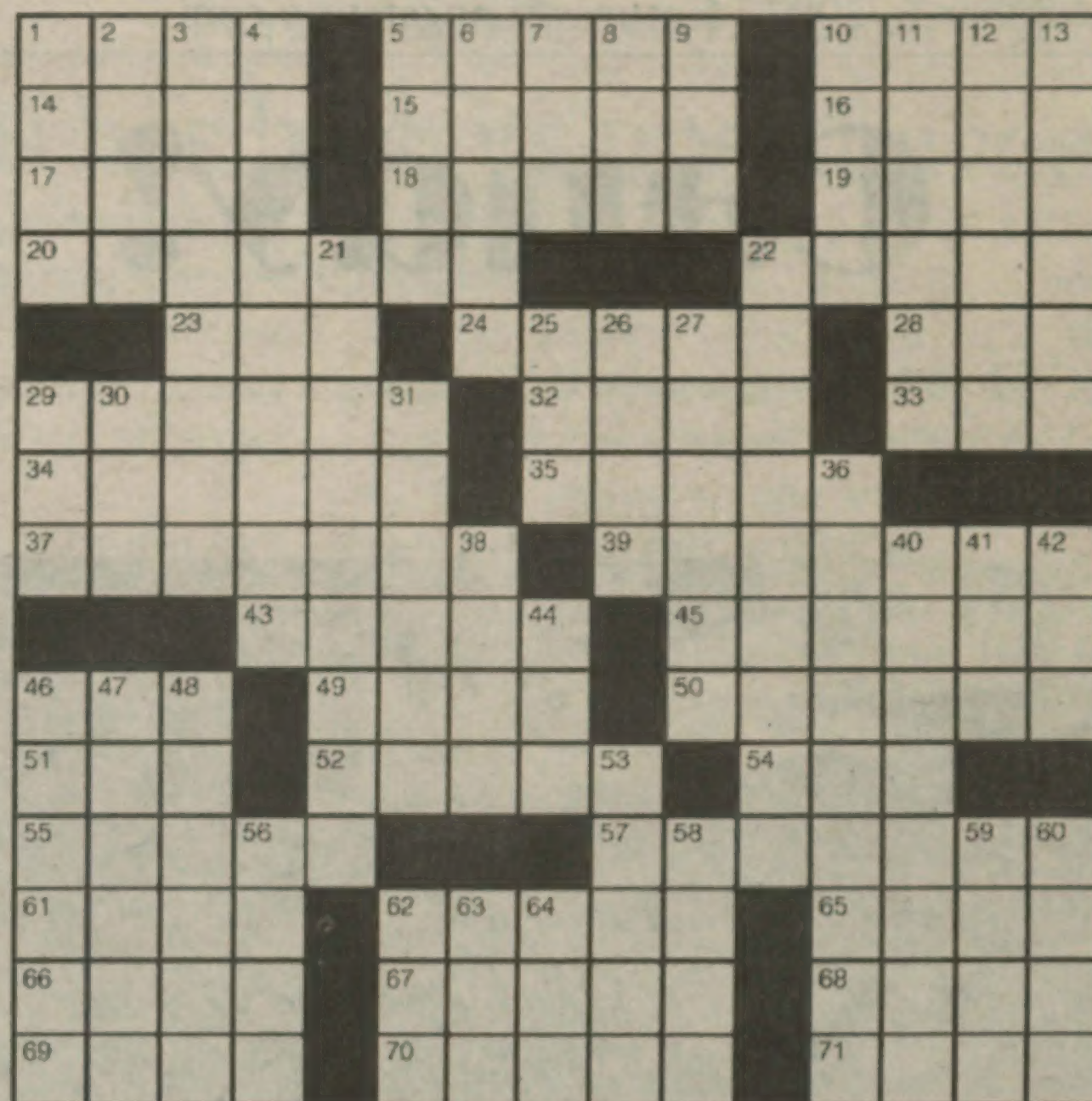


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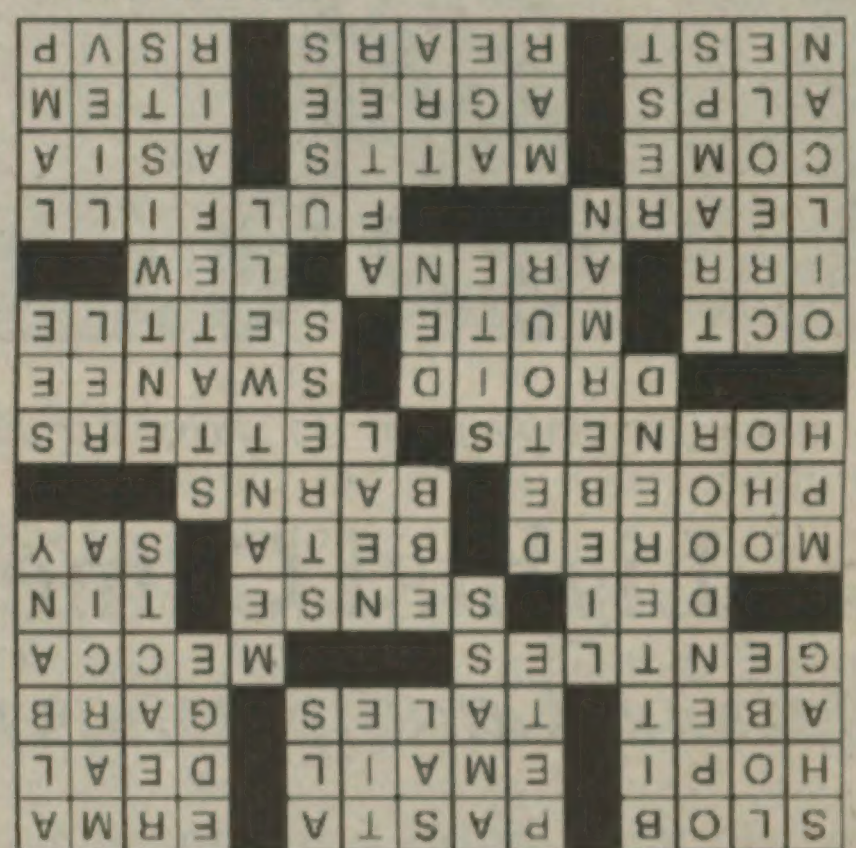
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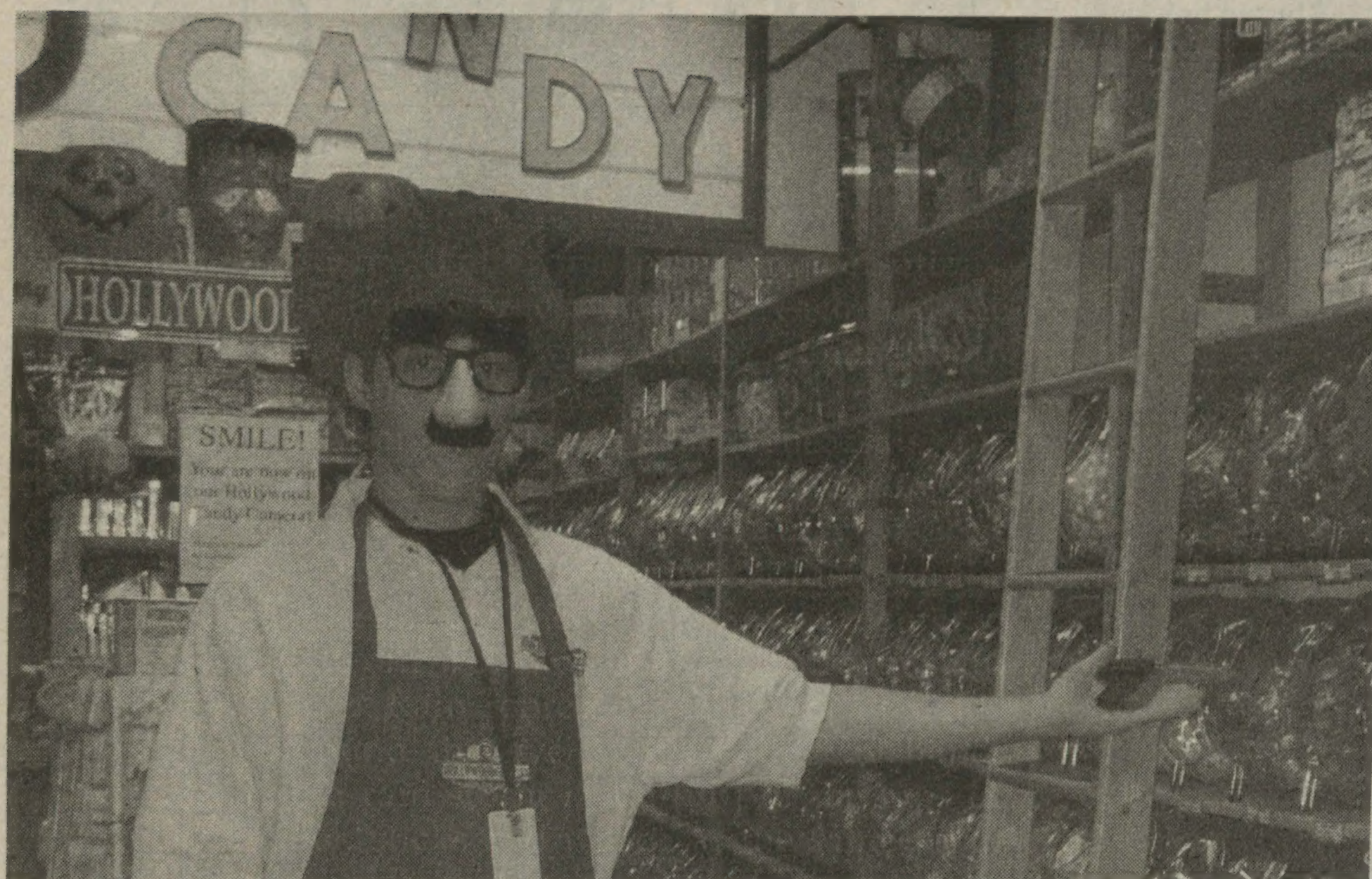


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Jacob Nordstrom, an employee at Hollywood Candy, shows off the rows of sweets at the store.



photo by Patrick Doty
Chocolate is the sweet spot at Old Market Candy. Cora Dietzschold shows a few popular items.

Lights! Camera! Candy!

Hollywood Candy brings new sweets downtown

If the blinking lights adorning the sign outside the Hollywood Candy store aren't enough to grab your attention, the miniature carousel outside just might.

The life-sized, realistic statue of John Wayne, standing inside the door holding out a plate is the next shock to the senses as you enter this colorful world of something so wonderful, it will whisk you away to your childhood: candy.

Rows upon rows of the mouth-watering, devilishly scrumptious and colorful candies line the walls, seemingly stretching into infinity. Bright red baskets are stuffed full with sweets like salt-water taffy made especially for the store from Seattle. Glass jars are almost overflowing with licorice, candy corn, bubble gum, jelly beans, mints—almost anything your mind can think of.

Mixed with the warm, sweet smell of popcorn and sugar, you'll be helpless against the power of the candy. There is even gag candy, like real scorpion, margarita and tequila with worm suckers.

The gaze of various Hollywood celebrities like Elvis, from his cardboard cutout, and Marilyn Monroe, from her lovely tin can lid, watch as you painstakingly decide what type of candy to pick.

Despite only having been open since April, the candy store, located on the corner of 13th and Howard Streets in the Old Market, offers a variety of candy and services.

Customers can buy corporate gifts, Hollywood gift collectables, PEZ products and nostalgic candies. Candy can also be ordered if you don't see it in the store.

"People love their candy," said Elijah Goodwin, an employee at Hollywood Candy. "People walk in and see the vintage candy and say, 'I remember this!'"

What makes the store unique is, in fact, its vast array of vintage candies like Abba Zabba or Zagnut. The store offers thousands of pieces of nostalgic, movie, penny and novelty candies.

Merely stepping into the store can transport you back to an old-style candy store. By gazing up at the tin ceiling or down at the red and yellow floor tiles, customers are transported back to a 1940s or '50s candy store.

Customer service also makes shopping at Hollywood Candy a very unique experience, said Jacob Nordstrom, a fellow coworker of Goodwin. The employees are quick to say hello and ask how customers are doing so they feel welcomed right away. After that, they are available to answer questions and assist with getting candy out of the jars.

"It's just a fun place," said Nordstrom. "We are usually very happy here...it's just a really positive environment."

Truffles! Mudballs! Fudge!

Chocolate choices still satisfy at Old Market Candy

After a long afternoon of shopping and eating lunch in Omaha's famous Old Market, you may crave something sweet, rich or just plain sugary. Many places offer sweets to subdue this craving, but many venture to the eloquent candy store located on the corner of 10th and Howard Streets.

The Old Market Candy Store has been a favorite of Old Market shoppers for 30 years.

Looking into the windows of the partly vine-covered building, people can always be seen bustling about looking at the vast array of colorful candies and chocolate.

Once inside, the black and red checkered tile floor, stands of candy and a giant picture of downtown Omaha in the 1940s, which the store has had for nearly 30 years, will transport you back to the good old days.

"People love that picture," said Mike Pivonka, who has owned the store for five years. "It really takes some of them down memory lane."

He said people are able to look and see where some of the old buildings used to be that are no longer there.

Once past the nostalgic aspect of the famous store, the front glass counter will immediately grab your attention. Even if you're not a chocolate fan, you can't help but appreciate the wide selection of chocolate items that are neatly and delicately positioned on several trays. It's surprising that handprints from little children—and even a few

adults can't be seen smeared on the glass from gazing longingly at the sweets within.

What makes this candy store unique is its fresh, homemade chocolate items, said owner Mike Pivonka. Items like fudge, truffles and chocolate covered cherries make up just a few items on this exquisite homemade menu.

The most popular chocolate item, Pivonka said, is the store's Mudball. These rich delicacies are made from crushed Oreo cookies mixed with cream cheese and hand-dipped in chocolate. The store prides itself in its homemade qualities.

"People can see us making [the chocolate]," Pivonka said, "so they know it's always fresh."

Like many traditional candy stores, this store also offers giant, colorful lollipops, gummy worms, saltwater taffy, licorice, mints and jellybeans, which comfortably rest in glass jars and seem to sparkle at passing customers. The store also carries common candy favorite like candy cigarettes and Dots.

Hundreds of candies, hand-dipped chocolate items and a rich Omaha history, mixed with a great staff are what makes this store successful.

"We have a very friendly staff," Pivonka said. "And that helps out a great deal. We're like a big family here."



photo by Patrick Doty
Beside chocolate, Old Market Candy Store has a wide variety of other candies.

Trouble with college isn't learning, it's doing all of your assignments

The last couple of semesters, I have hit the point where I feel completely overcome and defeated by class. I find myself behind in my papers, my reading, my problem sets and I will soon find myself behind in my exams.

I have wondered why this keeps happening, why my motivation continues to fail me even when I feel like I have finally figured things out, finally taken the right steps to balance the positive and negative stress in my life.

Some people offer me simple, hard to refuse answers. They say I am taking too many credit hours. They say I spend too much time at the *Gateway*. They say I need to talk to someone about chronic depression.

However, I always reach the same conclusion: They're wrong. The problem is, has been and, until I take efforts to change it, will be a lack of motivation, which entails a lack of focus and dedication, which eventually results in lackluster grades.

So why does this happen? Quite simply, it's because I am a bad student, and I do not really care so much about the demonstration component of school.

Don't get me wrong: I really do enjoy college, as I did enjoy high school. I love learning, and I enjoy reading and hearing new things. I enjoy the thrill of proving a difficult theorem, and I appreciate dissecting a sophisticated philosophical point.

What I don't like, though, is trying to compile everything I have learned into a paper that meets a three-page long list of picayune objectives. I don't like memorizing things for an exam. I really don't like having to put down a good book, or stop focusing on things I find interesting, just because I have some assignment that I "should" be doing.

Sinister Slant



Scott Stewart

Really, then, what I don't like about school is the obligation. The last couple semesters, this has resulted in me falling behind midway through the term because I can't bring myself to actually do the necessary work.

I think this stems, in part, from how I was raised. I was home-schooled from preschool through fifth grade. Starting in a Department-of-Defense middle school in Germany, public school was a new experience – one that I wasn't especially fond of after a while, but one that was easy enough because there was plenty of time during school to finish your work, if you were clever at least.

However, I still was used to – and still am in the habit of – studying, reading and generally learning about whatever suited my interest at the present moment. Why

not, after all, learn about what has your eye at the moment, when you're most apt to pick up more subtle details and learn more per unit of effort?

Answer: Because when you're in school, you are following a curriculum and earning a grade; learning is merely tangential to the process.

So, in the end, I think that is what is burning me out most about school. It's not about getting up every day, trying to learn as much about what interests you the most; it's about following a curriculum through, reading textbooks and learning to do things regardless of your interest level.

Which, of course, isn't a bad thing per se. It's important, after all, to have a solid grounding in a lot of subjects, even things that are not especially interesting, because they allow you a firmer grasp of more general ideas. Knowing a little about psychology, for instance, comes in handy occasionally in philosophy.

It just is taxing to me, as it is to most people approaching that third, fourth, fifth or 10th year of an academic

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Life of stress has both its ups, downs

Lately I've been feeling overwhelmed. Overwhelmed by homework, papers, extracurricular activities, money, friendships and relationships: Pretty much everything in my life is stressing me out.

Sometimes I wonder why I put myself through all the stress and whether it's really worth it. It's not uncommon for me to be filled with doubt, questioning the point of it all.

Does it really matter?

The stress has definitely affected me physically, mentally and emotionally. The sleep deprivation I've experienced as a result of this stress has made me so tired that my mom was determined that I had thyroid disease, which runs in the family. I even recently went to the doctor for a blood test just to prove her wrong (which she was).

However, I've gained 10 pounds. My jeans don't fit as well as they used to. Enough said.

Even after attending the university-mandated "risk summit" for members of the Greek communities and hearing the same ol' tips about reducing stress (get sleep, eat well, exercise, listen to music, do something you enjoy), I've realized none of these tips really work. To a small and certain point they do, in the short term. In the long run, however, it really doesn't work out all too well.

I'm starting to realize that I need to be more selfish, that I need to start thinking about myself and stop worrying about how others are going to think of me based on the decisions I make. Because, honestly, I don't care what people think about me.

That is what really works out in the long run.

As a result of my new selfish attitude, I've been thinking about quitting things – whether it's the professional organizations I'm in, my sorority, the numerous committees I'm on, the *Gateway* or the other campus organizations I'm a part of.

Giving up is so appealing to me, but for some reason I hold back. Maybe it's me trying to be logical with myself, being too proud and stubborn or just not liking change.

But, the sickest thought I've had about my reasoning to not give up on areas of my life stressing me is that I like stress.

Let me say that again: I like stress.

It's sick, I know!

But stress keeps me going; without it I would be worthless. I would be the type of student who just goes to class, leaves campus and goes straight home, not interacting with anyone or involved in anything.

I'd much rather be doing nothing. Not even studying.

Only a certain amount of stress can be adequate to keep me motivated, though. Too much of it has lately been setting me off, making me extremely moody (just ask my boyfriend – poor guy!), exhausted and lackluster in my academic performance (sorry professors!).

But, in the end, it will be worth it. I'll graduate with excellent grades, a good portfolio and full resume.

In the meantime, though, I'm suffering.

So I must remind myself the words Relient K sings in their song "Let It All Out": "When the burden seems too much to bear, remember, the end will justify the pain it took to get us there."

Boy, it sure will be painful!

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Should Campus Security be armed?



**Holly Thibault –
Elementary Education –
Junior**

Something that would be non-lethal. Like guns, I don't think would be necessary, but something that would be non-lethal, because it's not real police anyway. I think would be OK – like a Taser or nightstick, as long as they're trained on how to use it.

**Sam Okrina – Secondary
Education – Senior**

I wouldn't feel comfortable if they had guns or something lethal. I'd just say make sure it's something non-lethal and even if they have something non-lethal make sure they have training. If it's going to come to needing guns, let the police deal with it.



**Badr Mogari – Computer
Science – Sophomore**

I think they should carry weapons. Otherwise, what's the difference between them and other people if they're security? You never know, because the campus is so big, and you might have people do something. People might not care and not consider them as real security if they can't carry weapons.



photo poll by Patrick Doty

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"I think that creating an ad hoc committee is unnecessary, because ... the duties of the Rules Committee is to every year look over the by-laws of the constitution and the IOPs," said Tangeman. "I know that they talked about how we have other rules of constitutions to look at and we don't have the time, but, honestly, I think that's the Rules Committee's job. That's their duty."

After much discussion, the creation of the committee was approved by a voice vote. According to the letter, the committee shall investigate, review and revise the governing documents and submit a final recommendation no later than the first meeting of March 2008.

Earlier in the meeting, Gateway Editor in Chief Scott Stewart addressed the senate regarding fiscal responsibility and the importance of parliamentary law. He responded to a resolution passed on Oct. 18, which had not gone through the Budget Committee, allocating funds for a senate training retreat to Kansas City.

"The ridiculous decision to pass a resolution without it having gone through committee, using reserve funds for an operational expenditure ... are beyond reproach," said Stewart. "By not following the rules, you prevent any hopes of accountability and any semblance of due process. Democratic governance is built on the notion of law-following, not rule breaking."

Tangeman responded afterwards, saying that Stewart's speech had brought up good points.

"I was actually against us breaking the rules to pass the resolution to send us to Kansas City for the retreat, I was not against the retreat; I thought the retreat was a good idea," she said. "I was just against us breaking the rules to get there."

Other business during the meeting included the election of Student Senate's new legislative and public relations officer, Meg Mandy. Mandy ran for the office of president/regent earlier this semester, but lost to former senator Lucas Seiler.

Mandy said she would focus on establishing government relations committees, writing a Student Senate newsletter as well as improving advertising and visibility.

When Mandy left the room for discussion, the senate voiced their concerns and thoughts on the appointment and then voted by secret ballot. Mandy was elected with 14 yes,

three nays and one abstention. Attempts to reach former Legislative and Public Relations Officer Latavia Adams for comment were unsuccessful.

In other business, the senate voted to reschedule their next meeting to Nov. 15 at 8 p.m. in order to have dinner with the chancellor and other key administrators.

Senators also acknowledged Vice President Michael White, who was awarded the Student Organizations and Leadership Program's student leader of the month award.

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program. You feel like you have jumped through enough hoops already, and you're starting to count the number left before graduation.

I do feel it's important to point out, though, that there is more to getting burned out than that. At least there is in my case.

I know that if I slept a regular amount every night at the same time, if I ate a more balanced diet, if I exercised daily, if I prioritized my time more efficiently, etc., I would feel less burned out.

Nevertheless, I feel like the same thing would have happened this semester, as it happened last semester and the semester before that. Hopefully, though, things will work out, and my professors will be somewhat sympathetic.

If not, then there's not a lot I can do about it. Life goes on, and stress passes, only to be replaced by new worries in a few weeks. There are bigger problems in the world than getting a bad grade.

Perhaps that attitude isn't the best one to have shortly after midterms. But, what are you going to do? That's how it is, at least right now.

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I wanted to take a moment to apologize to President/Regent Alexander Williams for misattributing something in my column last week that Vice President Mike White said. White, not Williams, said, "If we don't get to this tonight, it's out of the window. Maybe we are breaking the rules, but does that really matter?"

Williams has, in my opinion, said a lot – and I would emphasize a lot – of ignorant things regarding student government. Those words, however, were not among them. I'm sorry for that mistake.

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